From: <u>Bill Jacobs</u>
To: <u>Jim Barron</u>

Subject: Re: testing weather resistance of bait stations

Date: 06/03/2009 12:45 PM

Weather-resistance mainly is a design criterion. Bait stations should keep bait dry from rainfall and wet grounds (but not from flooding). Stations should be resistant to non-catestrophic weather events including rainfall, snow, hot sun, cold temperatures, etc. Selecting appropriate materials for construction (e.g. not cardboard) and using appropriate designs (no holes in roof, slightly elevated openings, elevated lower sides to bait compartments, etc.) will go a long way toward making stations weather-resistant.

▼ "Jim Barron" ---06/02/2009 04:38:56 PM---Bill,

From: "Jim Barron" <jbarron@exponent.com>

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Bill,

Do you folks have a protocol or any guidelines for testing bait stations for weather resistance?

Thanks,

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